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Re: BEFORE THE JUDICAL PANEL ON MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION IN RE ASBESTOS PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION (NO. VI), DOCKET NO. MDL-875

## NOTICE OF TAG-ALONG ACTION

Dear Mr. Lüthi:

Attached at Tab 1 is a copy of the Complaint in Fouts v. Airstream, et al., an action seeking damages for asbestos-related injuries filed in the Superior Court of Delaware, New Castle County, Case No. 08C-05-163 ASB. Fouts was removed to the United States District Court for the District of Delaware. A copy of the Notice of Removal is attached at Tab 2. Fouts is related to and shares common issues of the fact with the actions in In Re Asbestos Products Liability Litigation, Docket No. MDL-875 ("MDL-875"), which were transferred to the Eastern District of Pennsylvania before the Honorable James T. Giles, pursuant to the Panel's Order and Opinion of July 29, 1991. In re Asbestos Products Liability Litigation (No. VI), 771 F. Supp. 415 (J.P.M.L. 1991).

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Fouts involves common issues of fact with and is related to the actions in MDL-875 in a number of respects. First and most importantly, the causes of action in Fouts are based on the same factual predicates as other actions in MDL-875 – namely, allegations of asbestos-related disease or injury stemming from exposure to asbestos in products and on premises and inhalation of asbestos fibers. Second, based on these allegations, Fouts asserts the same causes of action as the plaintiffs in MDL-875 including, negligence and strict liability. Third, like the plaintiffs in MDL-875, Plaintiffs in Fouts seek to recover compensatory damages for asbestos-related disease or injury. For these reasons, discovery in Fouts would be streamlined and conducted more efficiently through the coordinated multidistrict discovery process already in place in MDL-875 governing the same types of asbestos allegations, claims and damages. Accordingly, pursuant to R.P.J.P.M.L. 7.2(i), 7.3(a), 7.4 and 7.5(e), Defendant Viad Corp hereby notifies the Panel that Fouts is pending in federal court and should be transferred to the Eastern District of Pennsylvania to become part of MDL-875.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the above telephone number.

Very truly yours,

Jennifer M. Kinkus

JMK:lbc Attachments

cc: United States District Court, District of Delaware (via hand delivery only)
All Counsel of Record in *Fouts* (See Tab 3) (via mail only) (w/o encl.)

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